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Denali Training Fund Quarterly Progress Report

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Name of Organization: Alaska Works Partnership, Inc.

Name of Project: PY 7-205; Designated Grant – Trade Occupations, Registered Apprenticeship, and other training programs

Reporting Period: April 1 to June 30, 2008 (Amended Report 1-27-09)

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Expenditures to date: \$202,938.53

Certification: I certify that the information in this report is current, correct and true and in accordance with the terms and conditions of the agreement.

Signed by:

Mark Ancheta Dated July 15, 2008 / 1-27-09

1. In a few sentences, please describe the scope of your project:

This is a designated grant to fund statewide training covering twenty-five construction and maintenance trade occupations through registered apprenticeship and training programs.

2. Project Activities for this Reporting Period:

Describe the grant activities that happened during this report period. Include planning, advertisement and/or training performance that occurred this quarter? List any accomplishments achieved. (Attach advertisements if applicable)

Rural Apprenticeship Outreach (AO)

During this reporting period, Alaska Works Partnership staff hosted booths at Seward (AVTEC), Fairbanks and Palmer Career Fairs. Information on careers in construction and assistance available to rural applicants was provided at the Career Fairs. Alaska Works Partnership staff also held Apprenticeship Presentations in Seward (AVTEC) and Kenai.

Program staff participated in the Alaska Dept of Labor and Workforce Development Apprenticeship Conference.

New flyers were developed for the Southern Painters & Allied Trades, Ironworkers, Electrical Workers, Southern and Southeastern Plumbers & Pipefitters and Southern Laborers JATCs for distribution to community centers and Job Centers statewide via fax and email, and for posting on our website. In addition, the AWP website was updated to add the new program openings.

Letters were mailed out to contacts, which provided apprenticeship information and application dates/deadlines for Southern Painters & Allied Trades and Southeastern Plumbers & Pipefitters.

Summary of Contact with clients during this reporting period:

- Client Contacts: Fifty-nine (59) new clients.
- Clients Served: (one or more services): Forty-nine (49) clients received one or more services such as referral to apply for apprenticeship, assistance with interview and travel and/or were referred to additional training.

Follow up with Clients included:

- Ten (10) clients completed application for one or more apprenticeship program; Southeastern Plumbers & Pipefitters and Southern Painters & Allied Trades, and Electrical Workers.
- Twenty-nine (29) clients participated in an Interview Skills workshop prior to their interview with Southern and Southeastern Plumbers and Pipefitters, Electrical Workers, Cement Masons/Plasterers, and Ironworkers.
- Thirty-nine (39) clients were provided with travel assistance for one or more trips to apply or interview for apprenticeship.
- Forty-three (43) clients interviewed with one or more apprenticeship programs; Southern and Southeastern Plumbers & Pipefitters, Electrical Workers, Cement Masons/Plasterers, and Ironworkers.
- Nine (9) clients were selected for apprenticeship; Two (2) into Cement Masons/Plasterers, Four (4) into Southern Plumbers & Pipefitters, One (1) into Southeastern Plumbers & Pipefitters, One (1) into Electrical Workers and One (1) into Ironworkers.

Building Maintenance Repair Apprenticeship

During this quarter there were three (3) training events for 23 BMR apprentices: Plumbing II for AVCP RHA (8 apprentices), Electrical II for AVCP RHA (6), Plumbing I for North Slope Borough (9). All 23 apprentices were employed.

Rural Job Training

Four (4) rural job training events for 50 rural workers:

Carpentry 1 in Dillingham at the Bristol Bay Campus (UofA) for 12 new workers to be employed on Bristol Bay Housing project constructing new homes.

Weatherization Assessor training for AVCP Housing and Bristol Bay Housing in King Salmon at SAVEC for 17 employees

Weatherization Assessor training for North Pacific Rim Housing, Bristol Bay Housing at King Salmon SAVEC for 15 employees

Construction Truck Driver Training in Minto for 6 trainees to be employed on new airport project by AIC.

3. Scheduled Project Activities/Important Dates for next quarter:

Describe your planned activities and training for next few months. Please include important dates like graduation, site visits, travel, job fairs, etc.

Apprenticeship Outreach (AO)

- Follow up with applicants to Ironworkers and Electrical Workers JATCs who interviewed during the 4th Quarter will be done as new apprentices may be selected during the next quarter.
- Ironworkers, Laborers, and Electrical Workers application deadlines, interviews and possibly the selection of new apprentices are planned for the coming Quarter.
- Career Fairs in Anchorage, Fairbanks and rural communities may be attended but are not scheduled at this time.

Building Maintenance & Repair Apprenticeship and Rural Job Training

- Continue to schedule upgrade training for Regional Housing Authority and AHFC recognized Weatherization entities who will perform weatherization work on rural homes for energy efficiency as part of the newly funded \$300 million program through AHFC. Current courses for housing authority employees who build and repair homes that will weatherize homes are scheduled for AVCP region, the North Slope and Southeast Alaska.
- Continue to follow-up with current BMR apprentices (70) to track employment and place in jobs.
- Renew employment and training commitments with Regional Housing Authorities.

4. a. How many are in your training program during this reporting period?

Apprenticeship Outreach does not provide skills training, but rather, provides assistance to clients applying and interviewing for apprenticeship programs, which includes; interview skills training; referrals to driver's education and adult basic education courses; and job training that leads to work experience that increases their chances of getting into apprenticeship programs such as Pipeline Training, Welders Helper training, and Construction Academies. See attached document detailing services for AO applicants

Building Maintenance & Repair Apprenticeship has 70 trainees in the program. Another 50 rural trainees were trained during the reporting period.

b. How many people have been trained and/or certified to date from this grant?

Apprenticeship Outreach (AO)

The grant extension started March 2008 and ran through June 2008. During that time, Apprenticeship Outreach has provided one or more services for Eighty-one (81) clients. Of those served, Twenty-eight (28) have been registered with the USDOL as trade apprentices where they receive training from their apprenticeship sponsors and are employed in on-the-job training.

Building Maintenance & Repair Apprenticeship & Rural Job Training: 81 persons trained and certified to date from this grant

Total combined both AO & BMR : 162 served / 109 trained and certified.

5. Please complete the list by putting the community to which each individual trained is from, the type of training and certification, the graduation date and who will employ them upon completion of training.

Apprenticeship Outreach (AO) & BMR Apprenticeship & Rural Job Training

See Attached Spreadsheets For More Details

***TOTAL NUMBER OF APPRENTICESHIP OUTREACH CLIENTS SERVED TO DATE:
(from start date of project)***

New Clients	Applied to Apprenticeship	Interview Skills	Travel Assistance	Interviewed	Apprentices Selected
147	53	36	48	56	28

Person Trained from these 24 Rural Communities: Alakanuk, Crooked Creek, Hooper Bay, Kasigluk, Kipnuk, Kotlik, Mekoryuk, Mapaskiank, Nighmute, Numpitchuk, Dillinham, Igiugig, Kokhanok, Barrow, Nuiqsit, Point Lay, Wainwright, Nulato, Galena, Minto, Nanwalek, Port Graham, Tatitlek.

Employers of workers trained: Bristol Bay Housing Authority, AVCP Regional Housing Authority, North Slope Borough Public Works Department, Pacific Rim Housing Authority, Alaska Housing Finance Corporation, AIC (Alaska Industrial Construction)